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# THE SBC SPOTLIGHT



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**Wednesdays:**

**4:15pm-5pm** Bells Rehearsal  
**5pm-6pm** Choir Rehearsal  
**5:45pm-6:30pm**  
 Family Potluck Supper  
**6:30pm-7:15pm**  
 Adult Classes

**Sundays:**

**9:45am** Sunday School  
**11am** Worship  
**6pm** Ladies Bible Study



**DEACON OF THE WEEK:**

**May 3** David Phillips  
**May 10** Dale Sloan  
**May 17** James Smith  
**May 24** Bobby Spradlin  
**May 31** David Bearden  
**MAY Deacon's Meeting - TBD**

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dr. Wallace McAbee, Senior Pastor

### Something New!

You probably have noticed that the Bible is all about new ways God moves, speaks, works and the ministries the church is called toward to help accomplish his work. A good passage to check on this is Isaiah 43: 18-19. Basically, we all know that God does not change nor do his eternal purposes as outlined in the Bible. However, the ways and methods he works through are as fresh as each sunrise. We are going to be trying some new things around here as well. Mike and I are always working on the worship service – to freshen up, draw us closer to the Lord and each other, to do what we can to exalt Jesus and see him draw people to himself. Personally, I love to see you all, to laugh and cut up, catch up and most of all worship with you?! Yes, I hope we can always say God is doing something new in our midst!

Speaking of new, your Church Decorations Committee is busy at work on an update for our foyer. Just like we do at home. Once we have agreed to our plan and have funding approval, we plan to offer the current furnishings for members of our church family who would like to offer these historic pieces a new home. We will be minimizing our furniture, updating our look and making the space more appealing and useful to our church family and welcoming to our guests. Listen out for details and let us know if there is a piece or two you wish to claim.

May is always a wonderful month at SBC! We begin our family and marriage month with a message each Sunday from God's Word designed to offer a practical approach discovering fulfillment at home. May launches our Summer with big events coming up. I know you are praying and volunteering for our Car Show, VBS and our Dental clinic. Watch for specific details on each ministry and event as we serve together.

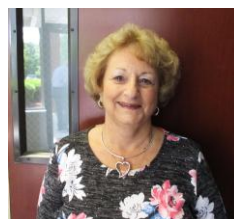
Peace and joy,  
 Pastor Wallace

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**WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS**

We are so glad you are a part of the SBC Family!



JEAN WHITTLE



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# Worship & Upcoming Events

## Wednesday Schedule-

4:15pm-5pm Bells Rehearsal

5pm-6pm Choir Rehearsal

5:45pm-6:30pm Family Potluck Supper

6:30pm-7:15pm Adult Prayer Meeting & Bible Study  
Youth & Children's Ministries

## Thursday Schedule-

AoM Crafts @ 10am

Olive Branch Meeting—May 14 @ 6pm

## Sunday Schedule-

9:45am Sunday School      11am Worship Service

6pm Ladies Bible Study

## UPCOMING WORSHIP & Events

**Friday, May 1 – 6pm** – Family Team Mtg @ Newks PTC (see Jana)

**Sunday, May 3 – 12pm** – VBS Meeting – Calling ALL Volunteers planning to help with this year's VBS attend this meeting.

**Week of May 4 – Admin out of office**

~~Parents Night Out~~ **CANCELLED!**

**Sunday, May 10 – MOTHER'S DAY!!**

**Wednesday, May 13 – Admin out of office**

**May 11-May 20 Pastor Wallace out of office** – Please reach out to your Family Deacon if you have an urgent need in his absence.

**Tuesday, May 12 – 11:30am** – Ladies Birthday Lunch to celebrate our May Birthdays will be held in the Church Fellowship Hall



**Thursday, May 14 – 6pm** – Olive Branch Meeting

**Saturday, May 16**

10m-2pm Sharpsburg Market

**5:30pm Widows Dinners** hosted here at SBC – Calling ALL Ladies! Widows, we want to share a night with a meal and a guest speaker right here in our Church Fellowship Hall! RSVP Please.

## UPCOMING WORSHIP & Events

**Sunday, May 17**

Andy Cook will lead worship in Pastor Wallace absence  
Graduation Sunday --- Gordy Scholarship Awarded

**Wednesday, May 20**

David Smith will lead out for Wed PM Prayer Meeting  
This will be our last regular services night – Fellowship Meals, Youth and Children's regular ministries will resume in the Fall; Summer Ministry series will begin next Wed for Youth & Children

**Thursday, May 21**

**NEWSLETTER Articles Due today for June**

Out to Lunch Bunch Meetup – RSVP

Meet at the church by 10:30am to carpool **OR**  
meet at the restaurant by 11:30am

**LOCATION: Barnstormers Grill**

349 Jonathans Roost Rd, Williamson, GA 30292



**Sunday, May 24 – 12pm – Two events:**

**\*\*Discovering Church Membership Class** – Everyone interested in learning more about this wonderful family we call home is invited to join us for our class. Bring your questions, ideas and an open heart to our group. We trust you will discover that SBC just might be your church discovery of a lifetime! Sodas/Snacks provided.

**\*\* Dental Clinic Volunteer Gathering**

This meeting is for everyone who would like to help with our clinic. Our coordinators will be prepared to offer specific assignments, answer questions and sign up our corps of volunteers for this significant ministry opportunity. Clinic Dates: August 14-15

**Monday, May 25 – MEMORIAL DAY!**

**Wednesday, May 27** – Youth & Children Summer Ministries begin

# Mission Opportunities

## On Deck ... May is Marriage and Family Month

Our Theme for this year is, "Design and Build ... *Crafting the Home of your dreams*"

**\*The Car Show:** Another banner community event scheduled for June 13. Thank you in advance for supporting this fun outreach ministry as we welcome countless car and motorcycle fans to our grounds. Again, reaching people is our goal!

**\*Vacation Bible School:** A highlight of our church year is this marvelous opportunity to reach, disciple and engage children with the Gospel. We need volunteers for this community outreach project as well. VBS this year is June 22-25 from 6-8 pm.

**\*The Community Dental Clinic:** We also would love to have our team sign up by May. Our detailed planning Meeting will be on Sunday, May 24 @ 12pm. We could use your help recruiting dentists and hygienists. There are flyers in the foyer that you can give to your dentist office to see if they would be interested in helping. All the information they should need will be listed in that letter. The dates for the clinic are August 13-15.

**\*UpWard flag football:** we have a sign-up board filled with places you can help us reach children and young families with a well-organized children's sports program. We hope to have all our volunteers on board by May. The season will be this fall.

## PAST SBC Happenings, Fellowships, and MORE....

Below you will find pictures from Easter service and breakfast; our annual Yard Sale, local Bed Build.... events from April 2026!

Each and every one of you have **SUCH Amazing Hearts for God and for your community!** **THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!**

There were many other happenings going on.... Our Blessing Box is a great service to our community, and you once again have not disappointed in your generosity! We also joined in with a neighboring church to help with a "Bed Build" Project to help those that need necessities of life. I-58 is an ongoing mission support you all donate to to help keep their pantries full.



**Your Servant Hearts CHANGE LIVES!!**



# Music Notes



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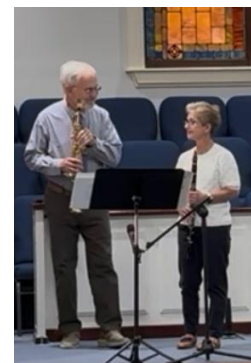
Praises!

We are a singing congregation! It is wonderful to hear all of our members joining together during our hymns and choruses. *“Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music.” --Psalms 98:4.*

April was great at SBC; Jill and I played a duet, “How Beautiful,” at the Maundy Thursday service. Then, on Easter morning, our handbells began our service, playing a prelude and a call to worship. Our choir sang a new anthem, “You Are,” joined by Mark and Jo Ann Carroll, who always add so much with their narration. Another Sunday, we sang “Mercy Tree,” with Shannon Reed singing the solo part. She and her husband Ken will be singing a duet in an upcoming service.

I appreciate every member of our choir so much; we are singing some challenging anthems lately, including “At the Cross, Love Ran Red,” “Is He Worthy,” and some new ones I know you will enjoy: “Come, Jesus, Come” and “Way Maker,” and “Fly Away Home.” They work hard, but we have fun—join us and see! Choir is like family!

Keep on singing! Mike





I've been focusing on the different things the ladies of AoM do. This month I'm focusing on the Macramé bracelets. It takes several different items which are carefully selected by each lady. The bracelets go to many different missions. We make bracelets for the county fair. The bracelets that go there are in the school colors. Some go with our missionaries to different countries. We also put them in the Shoeboxes that go all over the world.

We would be happy to teach you how to make them. Please join us every Thursday from 10-noon.  
~ Ladies of AoM (Adults on Mission) ~



Happy May everyone!

May is celebrated as a vibrant, hopeful month marking the peak of spring, filled with themes of blooming flowers, warmth, and new beginnings. Key quotes highlight it as a "month of expectation". Because May is the 5th month, it is often referred to as a month of grace, focusing on God's favor and accelerated progress. In April, we hosted Sheila Sullivan and her husband from the Sleep in Heavenly Peace Organization. They did a great job of informing the group about the Organization and the many phases of bed construction. They also shared a need for bed accessories (comforters, bed spreads, pillows, etc.) once the beds are completed. At our May meeting we will discuss how the Olive Branch can contribute to this need.

In June, we will have a guest speaker. Nancy White is an Author and friend from High School who has written a 100-day Devotional titled "Golden Nuggets from God's Word." Nancy will bring additional copies for sale.

Please plan to attend our next meeting on May 14, 2026  
~The Olive Branch Ladies

***"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit". Romans 15:13***

***This verse focuses on peace, hope, and joy, making it perfect for spring and strengthening faith.***



Easter week was so much fun! We went over all of the events leading up to Easter, and we even had a Seder for the kids! Even though it rained on Easter, we still had fun with an indoor egg hunt, games, activities, and an empty tomb lesson that was a yummy treat.

Parents Night Out for May has been cancelled.

VBS June 22nd- 25th, 6-9 pm

VBS is just around the corner. We will soon have decorating dates available. We also have a few positions still available if you would like to serve in VBS.

On Wednesday nights, we are studying Bible Heroes. We are placing all of our heroes on a timeline to better help the kids learn where they fit into the Bible.

On Sunday Mornings, we are going back to basics for our little ones, while our older kids are digging a little deeper to help them prepare for youth.

If you would like to be a part of this growing ministry, please let us know. We would love to have you!

~Jana, SBC Children's Director



I just wanted to share about our party we had on Friday! We had four kids attend who aren't from our church, so it was a great outreach opportunity. The students made new friends, enjoyed the projects, and worked together to serve our community.

We filled the blessing box with meal kits, and by Sunday morning we heard that all of them were already gone. We also added spring blessing bags the kids made for local children, and nearly all of those were taken as well. With every bag, the kids included a handwritten prayer for the family receiving it, which made the whole experience especially meaningful.

It was a powerful mix of mission work and evangelism, and the youth are excited to continue serving. We're already looking forward to planning another outreach later this summer.

God Bless ~ Bailey, SBC Youth Director



# MAY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> 6pm Newks PTC - Family Team Meeting (Jana B)	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> 12pm VBS Meeting	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 10am AoM Crafts	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
		<b>Cheri out of office</b>				
<b>10</b> <b>Mother's Day</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 11:30am Ladies Birthday Lunch in the Church Fellowship Hall	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 10am AoM Crafts 6pm OB Mtg	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Armed Forces Day Sharpsburg Market (top of hill SBC Property) 10am-2pm 5:30pm Widows Dinner
		<b>Wallace out of office</b>				
<b>17</b> Andy Cook preaching Gordy Sch Awarded Graduation Sunday	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Last evening for regular services until the school resumes - WED PM led by David Smith	<b>21</b> 10am AoM Crafts 10:30am OTLB <b>Newsletter Articles DUE</b>	<b>22</b> Last Day of School	<b>23</b>
		<b>Wallace out of office</b>				
<b>24</b> <b>Pentecost</b> 12pm Discovering Church Membership Class	<b>25</b> <b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Youth/Children Summer Ministries Begins	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b>						

May 1-	Dennis Jones
	David Phillips
May 14-	Shelby Kesterson
May 15-	JoAnn Rogers
May 17-	Kathy Rice
May 19-	Brenda Atkins
May 24-	Susan Anglin
	Trey Hightower

May 26-	Grayson Kesterson
May 27-	Cameron Kesterson
May 28-	Jeanne Nelson
May 30-	Nancy McAbee
May 31-	Dale Kieve





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Mike Exner

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Jill Exner

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INTERN**  
David Smith

**Youth Director:**  
Bailey Garner

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Jana Blackshire

**Soundboard Operators:**  
David Smith  
Nicole Anderson

**SBC Bookkeeper:**  
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**You are invited to join us ...  
Where New Beginnings are a Way of Life!**

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We would love to have you as our guest. We have many upcoming events that we are sure will be great fun as well as be a blessing to you. We have classes and fun events for our children on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights as well as Sunday School classes, Prayer Meeting and Worship time for our adults. If you have an questions, feel free to ask us, fill out a visitor's card in the pew when you visit or just speak to one of us to let us know how we can be of assistance to you. We are here to serve each other and those in our community.

### **JOIN US!**

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Sunday Worship: 11:00 am  
Ladies Bible Study: 6:00 pm**

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Check out our website for any events that may be going on and to see and learn about our church. We seek to share the love of Christ with those around us. And, we hope that you will come visit our church soon!

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